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**TRANSMITTAL OF PrintEFS PATENT APPLICATION BIBLIOGRAPHIC DATA**

Submitted herewith is bibliographic data (2 pages) for the above-identified application, in the PrintEFS Version 1.0.1 program format.

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